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SECDEF FOR SECRETARY BROWN FROM AMBASSADOR STOESSEL

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: NATO, OCON, MILI, AWACS, GW
SUBJECT: MOD LEBER'S DESIRE TO MEET WITH SECDEF BROWN

1. WHEN I DISCUSSED NATO AEW WITH MINISTER OF DEFENSE
LEBER ON FEBRUARY 11 (SEPTTEL), HE STATED THAT IT WOULD
BE A GOOD THING IF THE TWO OF YOU COULD MEET PRIVATELY
BEFORE THE NEXT NATO MINISTERIAL IN MAY. THIS WAS THE
SECOND OCCASION DURING WHICH LEBER HAD MENTIONED TO ME
HIS DESIRE FOR A MEETING. AS YOU ARE NO DOUBT AWARE,
MINISTER LEBER SETS GREAT STORE ON PERSONAL RELATION-
SHIPS.

2. I ASKED THE MINISTER IF HE WAS THINKING OF GOING TO
WASHINGTON OR IF HE PREFERRED TO MEET WITH YOU HERE.
LEBER REPLIED THAT IT DIDN'T MATTER: QUOTE IT COULD BE EITHER
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HERE OR THERE." LEBER WENT ON TO STATE HOW BILATERAL
CONTACTS HAD BEEN THE MAIN BASIS FOR PREVIOUS SUCCESSES
IN NATO. HE LEFT THE IMPRESSION, WITHOUT SO SAYING,
THAT A MEETING WITH YOU MIGHT RESOLVE THE NATO AEW
PROBLEM.
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